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APPRECIATE USEFUL REPORT IN REFTEL. VIEWS EXPRESSED BY POLISH DIPLOMAT IN REFTEL ARE PLAUSIBLE AND PROBABLY CORRECT. FOR A YEAR OR MORE, THERE HAVE BEEN INFORMAL INDICATIONS FROM THE SOVIETS THAT THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO ACCEPT FULL COLLECTIVITY FOR MANPOWER LIMITATIONS FOR BOTH SIDES AS LONG AS IT APPLIED TO THEM AS WELL, A POINT UNACCEPTABLE TO THE WEST. DURING THE SAME PERIOD, THE POLES IN PARTICULAR BUT ALSO THE EAST GERMANS HAVE BEEN EMPHASIZING THE NEED FOR SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS. THERE HAS BEEN REPEATED COMMENT FROM THESE LATTER SOURCES TO THE EFFECT THAT NATIONAL LIMITATIONS, WHICH WOULD LIMIT THEIR OWN FORCES AND PROTECT

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THEM FROM SOVIET DEMANDS TO INCREASE THEM AND WHICH WOULD ALSO LIMIT SOVIET FORCES IN THEIR COUNTRIES AS WELL AS OF COURSE LIMITING THE FRG, WOULD BE THE BEST SOLUTION FOR MANPOWER LIMITATIONS. THESE COMMENTS ARE SENSITIVE.DEAN

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